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In re Application of :  
Soheila Abdolbaghian et al :  
Application No. 09/721,498 : DECISION GRANTING  
Filed: November 22, 2000 : STATUS UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)  
Attorney Docket No: 81087-250435 :  
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This is a decision on the petition filed by facsimile transmission on February 25, 2002, requesting reconsideration of a decision mailed September 25, 2001, which refused to accord 37 CFR 1.47(a) status to the above-identified application.

The petition is granted.

Petitioner has shown that the nonsigning inventor, Tuan Nguyen, has refused to join in the filing of the above-identified application.

The above-identified application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status. As provided in Rule 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the nonsigning inventor. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (703) 305-8680.

This application is being forwarded to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for pre-examination processing.

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